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BIO TECHNOLOGY INSTITUTE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has laid the foundation stone for the Indian Institute of Agricultural Bio-technology in Jharkhand;

(b) if so, the details of the progress made by the Government in this regard; and

(c) the time by which the Institute is likely to be started?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) & (c): The Foundation stone of ICAR − Indian Institute of Agricultural Biotechnology was laid on August 25, 2014. The institute has started functioning with Officer-on-Special Duty and eleven scientists. Research Advisory Committee has also been constituted. Five research projects on micro-RNA studies; biochemical pathway and gene identification for aleuritic acid; identification of zinc fixing bacteria and root nodule bacteria characteri- zation for nutrient uptake have been initiated.